Claims

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Claim 36 (New) A method for translating and validating a first product description document, including a Bill of Material or an Approved Manufacturer List; with an item identifier, including a part number or a supplier name or a supplier nickname; from a first set of item identifiers to a second product description document for a first site with an item identifier from a second set wherein the method provides:
a catalog that

        provides a translation of the item identifier from the first set to an item identifier from a third set and

        provides for the first site, a translation of the item identifier from the third set to the item identifier from the second set;

a first step using the catalog to translate the first product description document with the item identifier from the first set to a third product description document with the item identifier from the third set;

a second step using the catalog to translate the third product description document with the item identifier from the third set to a second product description document with the item identifier from the second set.

Claim 37 (New) The method of Claim 36, wherein the catalog further provides for a second site, a translation of the item identifier from the third set to an item identifier from a fourth set; and

the method further provides a third step using the catalog to translate the third product description document with the item identifier from the third set to a fourth product description document with the item identifier from the fourth set.

Claim 38 (New) The method of Claim 36, wherein the first product description document with an item identifier not in the catalog as from the first set and determined to be a valid item identifier from the first set and the catalog is

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